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For: FUEL CELL HAVING SEALANT FOR

SEALING A SOLID POLYMER ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004 (Paper No. 20041128), the response period of which is extended to June 2, 2005 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.